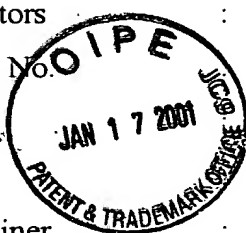


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Kindly amend the above-identified application before examination, as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, delete lines 1-4, and insert:

--FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to an arrangement and method for repairing an integrated circuit.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On page 1, line 5, after "Patent", insert --Application No.--.

On page 1, line 24, replace "Traditional known" with --Conventional--.

On page 2, delete lines 1-2.

On page 2, line 3, delete "known".